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CONCORD, NEW HAMPSHIRE: United States Attorney Tom Colantuono today announced the return of a two-count indictment by a Grand Jury sitting in the District of New Hampshire against GARY SAHLIN, age 26, of Pompano Beach, Florida, in connection with the August 6, 2003, armed robbery of the Fleet Bank at 2626 Brown Avenue, Manchester, New Hampshire. Count One of the indictment charges SAHLIN with the armed bank robbery of Fleet Bank, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a) and (d). Count Two charges SAHLIN with the use of a Colt M16A1, 5.56 caliber machinegun during the armed robbery, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 924(c).

SAHLIN is scheduled to be arraigned on the indictment on August 15, 2003 before United States District Court Magistrate Judge James Muirhead. SAHLIN faces a potential 25 year sentence on the armed bank robbery charge, and a potential life sentence on the weapons charge.

The case was investigated by the Bedford, New Hampshire, and Miami, Florida, Offices of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, the Manchester, New Hampshire Police Department, the United States Postal Service, and the Broward County, Florida, Sheriff's Department. This case is being prosecuted by Assistant U. S. Attorney Terry Ollila.

***UNITED STATES ATTORNEY COLANTUONO REMINDS THE PUBLIC THAT AN
INDICTMENT IS ONLY AN ALLEGATION AND NOT PROOF OF CRIMINAL CONDUCT. AS IN
ALL CASES, EACH DEFENDANT IS PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY
BEYOND A REASONABLE DOUBT.***